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THE WORLD'S WEEKLY ADVANCE REPORT aims to present a complete list of the most important textile news of the week, giving its subscribers an opportunity of communicating with such parties as they see fit, usually before orders are placed. Much of the news reported is exclusive with us, and we avail ourselves of every possible source of information. We cannot guarantee the correctness of all news, as we are obliged to rely largely on our correspondents.

FOR WEEK ENDING JANUARY 6, 1894.

New Mills.

Cotton.

—*GEORGIA, Athens. In regard to the Princeton Mfg. Co., which we recently reported were contemplating erecting a large mill, we are officially informed that they are at present unable to give any accurate description of their enlargements. They expect however to begin about the first of March, and will probably put in a 3500 spindle mill for the manufacture of ducks, sheetings and osnaburgs. We expect fuller information later.

—*MASSACHUSETTS, Boston. The mill which Messrs. Morse Bros., of South Easton, Mass., are building at Havon and Ruggles Street, in this city, is practically completed, only the finishing touches to be given to the inside. The mill is of brick, four stories high, 150 by 50. An engine of 220 h. p. will be thoroughly equipped, and complete in every respect with all modern improvements. No definite time has been set for starting up, but they will probably begin in the spring. They will manufacture in this plant a superior grade of threads and twines. The mill at South Easton, which was destroyed by fire a number of months ago, contained 5000 spindles.

—*NORTH CAROLINA, Lexington. We are authoritatively informed in regard to the Winnonah Cotton Mill No. 2 that they will begin production February 1st, giving employment to 200 hands. They will add 5000 spindles and 300 looms. They have a dye house. The mill will be run by steam and cost $75,000. This mill was reported by us several times early in the year and in 1892.

—SOUTH CAROLINA, Aiken. We recently reported that the Bath Paper Mill had been purchased by F. E. Henderson and Mr. Dibble, and that it would be converted into a cotton mill. A later report has it that a one-fifth interest has been purchased by Thomas Barrett, president of the Langley Mfg. Co., and Charles Estis, president of the John P. King Mfg. Co., both of Augusta, Ga., and that steps will be taken at once to change over the building for cotton manufacturing purposes.

—SOUTH CAROLINA, Charleston. It is reported that Mr. Robt. F. Baker, of Manchester, Eng., is talking with capitalists in this city, relative to establishing a mill for the manufacture of fine cotton yarns. He speaks in very high terms of the possibilities of making finer yarns in the South than has yet been attempted.

—SOUTH CAROLINA, Chester. It is reported that the Catawba Mills Co. will add 5000 spindles to their plant, which will double its capacity. S. B. Latham is secretary of this company.

Woolen.

—RHODE ISLAND, Wood River Junction. George R. Holberton & Bros., who started building a mill several months ago, inform us that they have as yet built nothing but the foundation, but should trade warrant it later they will push the enterprise toward completion.

—WISCONSIN, Boscobel. Boscobel Woolen Mills have been incorporated, capital $100,000 E. Stickler and E. A. Stickler are interested.

Knit.

—NEW HAMPSHIRE, Milton Mills. Albert Crabtree, John Loud and a Mr. Holt of Laconia, are about to start a hosiery factory in E. J. Brierly's building, putting in about 30 knitting mills at the start.

—NEW JERSEY, Newark. Wright's Health Underwear Co. has been incorporated; capital stock $120,000 to manufacture, it is understood, hygienic underwear. Their places of business will be at Montclair and New York; Solomon Wright, Jr., of Montclair and Wilkinson De Forest Wright, of New York, are conserned in the enterprise.

Silk.

—VIRGINIA, Fredericksburg. In regard to the new addition which Chas. W. Wilder & Co. have just completed at this place, and which during the process of construction we reported several times, we are authoritatively informed that the mill was built to contain 10,0000 spindles, and although now ready for the machinery, the work of setting up has not commenced. Probably when business is somewhat improved the company will carry out their original intentions. The new addition will give employment to 140 extra hands. The company manufactures organzine.

Miscellaneous.

—CONNECTICUT, New London. Robert Smith and Joshua E. Newey have leased the old umbrella factory on Hempstead Street, and will put it in readiness for the dyeing and finishing of silk.

—NORTH CAROLINA, Charlotte. R. M. Oates, Jr., and Otto Zimmerle, of Zurich, Switzerland, have formed the Gold Crown Dye Works, and will at once equip a plant with a capacity for dyeing 2000 pounds of hosiery and 3000 pounds of yarn daily. Mr. Oates is president and secretary of the company.

Enlargements and Improvements.

Cotton.

—*MAINE, Westbrook. Work is being pushed forward rapidly at W. K. Dana's Warp Mill. The shafting and spinning frames are now being set up. They have recently finished moving the carding machines from the old room to the new story over the weave room. They were expecting to start up some of the frames early in January.

—MASSACHUSETTS, Fall River. Large improvements are being made in the plant of the Pocasset Mfg. Co. They consist principally in the power department where they have completed the work of setting up in their new boiler house a new set of boilers, and are preparing to put in a new cross-pound engine of 1200 h. p. Considerable improvements are being made in the carding department.

—MASSACHUSETTS, Holyoke. The Hadley Thread Co. is at present running about three fourths of its machinery. The company has been making many improvements of late, among which a new 750 h. p. steam engine has been placed in position, ten spinning frames, built by the Lowell Machine Company, and containing 288 spindles each, and 25 new twisters of 280 spindles each, have been bought, and will be ready to run soon. A new storehouse has been added, which is of brick, three stories high, 100 by 80 feet.

—MASSACHUSETTS, Lawrence. The Atlantic Cotton Mills are making alterations which will remove their machine shop from the building alongside the canal to the storehouse in the rear of the mill building. The machine shop will be used for a storehouse.

—NORTH CAROLINA, Stanley Creek. The Stanley Creek Cotton Mills, manufacturers of warps, have made considerable minor improvements, and contemplate adding in the spring 2000 spindles.

Miscellaneous.

—MASSACHUSETTS, Dedham. F. E. Clapp & Co., absorbent cotton, has increased the capacity of his mill.

Mills Starting Up.

Woolen.

—ILLINOIS, Jacksonville. The woolen mill of J. Capps & Sons, 7 set, started up January 3, after a long idleness. A reduction of 10 per cent. in the wages was made.

—INDIANA, Laporte. The Kings & Fildes Woolen Mill has resumed operation after a shut down since the 29th of July. This is a 16 set mill running 100 looms.

—MASSACHUSETTS, Byfield. It is understood that the Byfield Woolen Mills are to start soon. These mills have been closed since last August, owing to the failure of Messrs. Ewing Bros.

—NEW YORK, Yonkers. Work has been resumed in the moquette department of the Alexander Smith & Sons Carpet Co., and it is expected that work in the print, spinning and other departments will immediately follow. These mills have been idle six months.

—PENNSYLVANIA, Philadelphia. The Centennial Carpet Mills of Samuel White, which have been idle for some months, resumed operations January 3, giving employment to 150 hands. The firm have orders to run the mill until February, and it is expected by that time they will have sufficient work ahead to keep the mill running.

—WISCONSIN, West Superior. The West Superior Woolen Mill, who are now shut down, are preparing to start up on lines of new manufacture in the way of heavy goods, such as Halifax and Scotch tweeds. If the arrangement can be made to dispose of the product the mill will be run night and day, though nothing is said at present of enlarging the plant.

Knit.

—CONNECTICUT, Plainville. The Plainville Mfg. Co., knit goods, 11 set, have resumed operations after a shut down of a week or so.

—NEW YORK, Troy. The Wayside Knitting Mill resumed operations January 4, on full time. They operate a 14-set of cards and employ 400 hands.

Miscellaneous.

—NEW JERSEY, Paterson. The Atlas Silk Co. which has been closed for three months, has started up. The proprietors contemplate making additions to their plant.

Mills Shutting Down.

Cotton.

—CONNECTICUT, New Hartford. The Greenwood Cotton Co., employing 1000 hands, has shut down indefinitely.

—NEW BRUNSWICK, Milltown. The St. Croix Cotton Mill has shut down indefinitely.

Woolen.

—MASSACHUSETTS, Lowell. The United States Bunting Co. shut down January 2 for two weeks, after which time a 3 per cent. reduction in wages will be made.

—MASSACHUSETTS, Northboro. The Woodside Mills, blankets and satinets, D. F. Wood, proprietor, have shut down for an indefinite period.

—NEW YORK, Amsterdam. The Sanford Carpet Mills, which were expected to start up, are to remain closed indefinitely, owing to lack of orders.

—NEW YORK, Clayville. The Empire Woolen Mill, 15 set, has shut down indefinitely. They employ 300 men.

Knit.

—MAINE, Auburn. The Eureka Hosiery Co., 47 knitting machines, has shut down indefinitely.

—NEW YORK, Little Falls. The Saxony Knitting Mills shut down January 2, throwing over 200 hands out of employment.

Miscellaneous.

—CONNECTICUT, East Hampton. The Eureka Silk Co. has shut down indefinitely. About 200 hands are thrown out of employment.

SEE OTHER SIDE.

Fires.

—CONNECTICUT, Jewett City. The Yarn and Thread Mill of A. B. Burleson was destroyed by fire January 4. Loss $10,000, partly insured. Fifty hands were employed.

—PENNSYLVANIA, Philadelphia. Fire in the dye works of Brehm & Stahle caused damage to the extent of $1000.

Facts and Gossip.

—CONNECTICUT, Torrington. The Union Mfg. Co. who operate a five-set mill at this place on woolen goods, has changed its title to the Warrenton Woolen Co.

—MAINE, Dexter. At the hearing on the petition for the appointment of an assignee for the Flanders Woolen Co., the parties interested were unable to agree upon any person to fill this office, and as a consequence the matter was continued. It is currently reported that there is a prospect that the mills will soon be started. Winfield Morse, North Dexter, has acted as keeper to the property since October.

—NEW YORK, Cohoes. The William Moore Knitting Co. has been incorporated. Capital $50,000. The directors William Moore and Sarah Moore of New York and Timothy Moore of this city. This is probably reorganization of the Granite Mills management.

—NEW YORK, Mechanicsville. The Empire State Knitting Co. have filed a certificate of incorporation. The capital stock is $80,000. The directors are Henry Newland, Stillwater, Howard Neilson, W. B. Neilson and Stephen Lee, Mechanicsville, and Abner S. Haight, of New York. This company has been reorganized probably, to continue the business of Newland, Neilson & Co.

—PENNSYLVANIA, Bethlehem. John D. Cutter, president of the Cutter Silk Mfg. Co. has made a settlement with the creditors of the company and has resumed the direction of its business. The mill has for some time past been employing but half its force on full time and a reduction is now made in the wages.

—PENNSYLVANIA, Philadelphia. The official notice has been published of the disolution of the partnership heretofore existing between the estate of William H. Grundy, George A. Shoemaker and Joseph R. Grundy. The disolution takes place by limitation. Mr. William H. Grundy it is known is deceased. The remaining partners have reorganized under their firm name of William H. Grundy & Co.

—PENNSYLVANIA, Reading. Walter S. Stauffer, who engaged in the hosiery business at this place last July has sold out. He was running 21 machines.

—RHODE ISLAND, Olneyville. It is reported that the Merino Mfg. Co. will pass into the possession of B. B. & R. Knight at the expiration of the lease, which occurs within a few months.

—RHODE ISLAND, Woonsocket. It is reported that the Harris Co. have leased the Ray Cassimere Mill, Franklin, Mass., and that they will reorganize and run it in connection with their works in Woonsocket.